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WHITE HOUSE FOR JON HOWE & SUSAN HERTER

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: OVIP (ROCKEFELLER, NELSON A.), MY

SUBJ: VISIT OF VICE PRESIDENT

REF: WELLINGTON 812

1. GOM HAS ALREADY INDICATED ONE IMPORTANT CHANGE IN SCHEDULE AS TRANSMITTED REFTEL. CHIEF OF PROTOCOL HAD SAID AT MAR 1 MEETING THAT AT 9:35 A.M. MAR 27 VICE PRESIDENT AND AMBASSADOR UNDERHILL WOULD MEET BRIEFLY WITH PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER, THEN

PROCEED TO ADJOININGCABINETROOM TO JOIN CABINET MINISTERS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY. WE ARE NOW INFORMED THAT PRIME MINISTER HAS IN MIND AN APPROXIMATELY 45-MINUTE SUBSTANTIVE EXCHANGE WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT. PRIME MINISTER WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF FOREIGN MINISTRY, HIS SPECIAL ASSISTANT ZAIN AZRAI, AND TWO SENIOR FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH AMERICAN AFFAIRS, KHOR ENG HEE AND RANJI SATIAH. AT END OF 45 MINUTES ENTIRE GROUP WOULD
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THEN MOVE TO LARGER ROOM WHERE ELECTED CABINET

MEMBERS WILL BE PRESENT.

2. THIS WOULD MEAN ON OUR SIDE THAT VICE PRESIDENT AT INITIAL MEETING WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR UNDERHILL, MR. MILLER, CAPT. HOWE AND (WE PROPOSE TO ADD) A NOTE-TAKER FROM EMBASSY, CHIEF OF POLITICAL SECTION, FRANK BENNETT.

3. WE ARE PRESSING GOM FOR DETAILED SCENARIO OF CEREMONIAL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES, CALL ON KING (STILL NOT CONFIRMED) AND STATE BANQUET. THEY REPLY THAT THEY ARE SIMPLY NOT READY YET TO GIVE US COMPLETE DETAILS BUT PROMISE THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. ON THEIR PART, GOM OFFICIALS ARE PRESSING US HARD FOR EXPRESSION OF WISHES OF MRS. ROCKEFELLER AND INDICATION OF WHAT VICE PRESIDENT MIGHT LIKE TO DO DURING FREE TIME IN AFTERNOON OF MAR 27. WE HAVE EXPLAINED THAT WE CAN GIVE NO ANSWER UNTIL MR. CANZERI HAS A CHANCE TO CONFER WITH THE ROCKEFELLERS THIS COMING WEEKEND.
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